CHAPTER 126

ABANDONED ANIMALS

H. F. 264

AN ACT to allow the destruction of abandoned animals by veterinarians, boarding and commercial kennels.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Chapter one hundred sixty-two (162), Code 1975, is

2 amended by adding the following new section:

3 NEW SECTION. Whenever any animal is left with a veterinarian, boarding kennel, or commercial kennel pursuant to a written agree-4 5 ment and the owner does not claim the animal by the agreed date, the 6 animal shall be deemed abandoned, and a notice of abandonment and 7 its consequences shall be sent within seven days by certified mail to the 8 last known address of the owner. For fourteen days after mailing of the 9 notice the owner shall have the right to reclaim the animal upon payment of all reasonable charges, and after the fourteen days the owner shall be deemed to have waived all rights to the abandoned animal. If 10 11 12 despite diligent effort an owner cannot be found for the abandoned animal within another seven days, the veterinarian, boarding kennel, or 13 commercial kennel may humanely destroy the abandoned animal. 14 Each veterinarian, boarding kennel, or commercial kennel shall warn

15 16 its patrons of the provisions of this section by a conspicuously posted 17 notice or by conspicuous type in a written receipt.

Approved June 16, 1975

CHAPTER 127

BOVINE BRUCELLOSIS

H. F. 870

AN ACT relating to the eradication of bovine brucellosis and making an appropriation.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section one hundred sixty-four point one (164.1), subsec-

tion seven (7), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:
7. "Official calfhood vaccination" shall mean the vaccination of any 2

- 3 4 female calf of a dairy breed between the ages of four two months and eight six months or any female calf of a beef breed between the ages 5 6 of two months and ten months with brucella abortus vaccine strain number nineteen or such other vaccine as may hereafter be approved 8 by U.S. department of agriculture, which calf shall have been vaccinated by a licensed accredited veterinarian according to the rules established by the department. The officially vaccinated animal shall be 9 10 identified by a vaccination tattoo mark, and ear tag or owner's pure-11 bred identification. Such tattoo mark, ear tag or owner's purebred identification shall be described in a certificate furnished by the at-12 13 14 tending veterinarian.
- 15 Within thirty days following such vaccination, the attending veteri-16 narian shall supply the owner with a certificate of vaccination. The